

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Andreas WACHTLER et al.

Examiner: S.C. Wu

Serial No.: 09/964,650

Group Art Unit: 1756

Filed: September 28, 2001

Title: PHENYLCYCLOHEXANES AND A LIQUID-CRYSTALLINE MEDIUM

## PETITION TO ACCEPT UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED PRIORITY CLAIM UNDER 37 C.F.R.§1.78(a)(3)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Acceptance of the unintentionally delayed claim for priority, made in the attached Supplemental Amendment, is respectfully requested. Applicants just determined, during a routine audit of the present file, that only the foreign priorities and the immediate past domestic priority of the present application were claimed. Subsequent to discovery of the incomplete priority claim on Wednesday, June 4, 2003, Applicants ascertained the correct priority chain of the present application (which took most of the day on Thursday, June 5, 2003) and filed on the next day this request to accept the delayed priority. It is submitted that the entirety of the delay in submitting the priority claim was unintentional.

The fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.117(t) for acceptance of an unintentionally delayed claim for priority of \$1300.00 is hereby enclosed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-3402.

Respectfully submitted,

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